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A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS Congress have received information and complaints, "that violences "have been done by American armed vef- "fels to neutral nations, in seizing ships be- "longing to their subjects and under their "flags, and in making captures of those "of the enemy which under the protection of neutral flags, "contrary to the usage and custom of nations," to the end that such unjustifiable and piratical acts, which reflect dishonour upon the national character of these states, may be in future effectually prevented, the said Congress hath thought proper to direct, enjoin, and command, and they do hereby direct, enjoin, and command, all captains, commanders, and other officers and seamen belonging to any American armed vessels, to govern themselves strictly in all things agreeably to the tenour of their commissions, and the instructions and resolutions of Congress; particularly, that they pay a sacred regard to the rights of neutral powers, and the usage and custom of civilized nations, and on no pretence whatever presume to take or seize any ships or vessels belonging to the subjects of Princes or powers in alliance with these United States, except they are employed in carrying contraband goods, or soldiers to our enemies, and in such case that they conform to the conditions contained in treaties subsisting between such powers and these states; and that they do not [illegible] or plunder, any ships or vessels of our enemies, [illegible] the protection of neutral coasts, nations, or Princes, [illegible] the penalty of being condignly punished therefore, and [illegible] being bound to make satisfaction for all matters of damage, [illegible] interest thereof by reparation, under the pain and obligation of their persons and goods. And farther, the said Congress doth hereby resolve and declare, that persons wilfully offending in any of the foregoing instances, if taken by any foreign powers in consequence thereof, shall not be considered as having a right to claim protection from these states, but shall suffer such punishment as by the usage and custom of nations may be inflicted upon such offenders.

GIVEN in CONGRESS *at* YORK, *in the state of* PENNSYLVANIA, *this ninth day of* May, Anno Domini *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight*

HENRY LAURENS, President.

Attest. CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

LONDON, MARCH 17.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

The following is the message delivered by Lord Weymouth to the House of Lords last Tuesday.

GEORGE R.

HIS Majesty having been informed, by order of the French King, that a treaty of amity and commerce has been signed between the Court of France and certain persons employed by his Majesty's revolted subjects in North America, has judged it necessary to direct that a copy of the declaration delivered by the French ambassador to Lord Viscount Weymouth be laid before the House of Lords; and at the same time to acquaint them, that his Majesty has thought proper, in consequence of this offensive communication on the part of the Court of France, to send orders to his ambassadour to withdraw from that Court.

His Majesty is persuaded that the justice and good faith of his conduct towards foreign powers, and the sincerity of his wishes to preserve the tranquillity of Europe, will be acknowledged by all the world; and his Majesty trusts that he shall not stand responsible for the disturbance of that tranquillity, if he should find himself called upon to resent so unprovoked and unjust an aggression on the honour of his crown, and the essential interests of his kingdoms, contrary to the most solemn assurances, subversive of the law of nations, and injurious to the rights of every sovereign power in Europe.

His Majesty, relying with the firmest [illegible] zealous and affectionate support of his [illegible] to be prepared to exert, if it sh[illegible] l resources of his kingdoms. [illegible] equate to repel every in[illegible] uphold the power and re[illegible]

The Lord Viscount Weymouth also (by his Majesty's command) laid before the House a copy of a paper delivered to Lord Viscount Weymouth by the Marquis de Noailles the 13th of March 1778, and translation, which is as follows:

The under-signed ambassadour of His Most Christian Majesty has received express orders to make the following declaration to the Court of London:

The United States of North America, who are in full possession of independence, as pronounced by them on the 4th of July 1776, having proposed to the King to consolidate, by a formal convention the connection begun to be established between the two nations, the respective plenipotentiaries have signed a treaty of friendship and commerce, designed to serve as a foundation for their mutual good correspondence.

His Majesty being determined to cultivate the good understanding subsisting between France and Great Britain, by every means compatible with his dignity, and the good of his subjects, thinks it necessary to make this proceeding known to the Court of London, and to declare at the same time, that the contracting parties have paid great attention not to stipulate any exclusive advantages in favour of the French nation; and that the United States have reserved the liberty of treating with every nation whatever, upon the same footing of equality and reciprocity.

In making this communication to the Court of London, the King is firmly persuaded she will find new proofs of his Majesty's constant and sincere disposition for peace; and that his Britannick Majesty, animated by the same sentiments, will equally avoid every thing that may alter their good harmony; and that he will particularly take effectual measures to prevent the commerce between his Majesty's subjects and the United States of North America from being interrupted, and to cause all the usages received between commercial nations to be in this respect observed, and all those rules which can be said to subsist between the two crowns of France and Great Britain.

In this just confidence, the under-signed ambassadour thinks it superfluous to acquaint the British Minister, that the King his master, being determined to protect effectually the lawful commerce of his subjects, and to maintain the dignity of his flag, his Majesty has, in consequence, taken eventual measures in concert with the United States of North America.

Signed Le M. DE NOAILLES.

LONDON, *March* 13, 1778.

The following is the humble address of the House of Lords, presented to his Majesty yesterday, in consequence of the foregoing message:

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, return our humble thanks to your Majesty for the communication of the paper presented to Lord Viscount Weymouth by order of the French King, and for acquainting us, that in consequence of this offensive declaration your Majesty has thought proper to order your ambassadour to withdraw from the Court of France. And we beg leave to assure your Majesty, that it is with the utmost difficulty we can restrain the strongest expressions of the resentment and indignation, which we feel for this unjust and unprovoked aggression on the honour of your Majesty's crown, and the essential interests of your kingdoms, contrary to the law of nations, and injurious to the rights and possessions of every sovereign power in Europe.

The good faith and uprightness of your Majesty's conduct towards foreign powers, and the sincerity of your intentions to preserve the general tranquillity, must be acknowledged by all the world; and your Majesty cannot be considered as responsible for the disturbance of that tranquillity, if you should find yourself called upon to resist the enterprises of that restless and dangerous spirit of ambition and aggrandisement which has so often invaded the rights and threatened the liberties of Europe.

We should be wanting in our duty to your Majesty, and to ourselves, if we did not give your Majesty the strongest assurances of our most zealous assistance and support. Every sentiment of loyalty to your Majesty, and of love to our country, will animate us to stand forth in the publick defence, and to promote every measure that shall be found necessary for enabling your Majesty to vindicate the honour of your crown, and to protect the just rights and essential interests of these kingdoms.

His MAJESTY's [illegible]

My Lords,

I THANK you for this loyal and [illegible]. Nothing shall be wanting, on my part, [illegible] effectual support of the juſt rights of my crown, [illegible]tereſts of my people. Theſe great and import[illegible] ſhall ever be the immediate object of my attent[illegible]

The addreſs of the Houſe of Commons is an e[illegible] of the Houſe of Lords, and therefore we think it [illegible] inſert it.

HOUSE of COMMO[illegible]

On Tueſday the Houſe read ſeveral publick and [illegible] bills.

Lord North, agreeable to his intimation, [illegible]red his Majeſty's meſſage, literally the ſame as in the upper Houſe. Mr. Baker moved the diſmiſſion of the miniſters, as an amendment, which produced a very long debate, of the ſame nature and ſubſtance as that in the Lords.

Lord North painted the ſituation of this country as much more comfortable than ſome perſons in oppoſition had held out. His Lordſhip ſaid our navy was in a much better condition than it had been in at the commencement of the late war, and that the new levies were nearly filled; that we ſhould ſpeedily have 30,000 men in arms, which, added to the militia, who would forthwith be embodied, would be an ample force for the internal ſafety of the kingdom. His Lordſhip farther ſaid, that he had, ſince he had ſat that day in the Houſe, received intelligence that every ſhilling of the firſt depoſit on the new ſubſcription had been paid

Extract of a letter from Edinburgh, *March* 14.

"We hear that orders are come down for a draught of 500 men to be made from each of the regiments now raiſing in Scotland, to be ſhipped for America by the 25th of March. As two armed veſſels are arrived at Greenock, ſome tranſports engaged there, and many more expected from England, it is imagined they will embark at that port."

March 19. There was the hotteſt preſs on the Thames laſt Tueſday night, and yeſterday morning, ever known. The gangs took a great number of ſailors; not a veſſel eſcaped them; even thoſe that had protections were carried off

Several merchant ſhips, which have taken in their loading, were ready to ſail, and had got protections for their men, are now detained, their men, notwithſtanding their protections, being taken away by the preſs gangs; even maſters of fiſhing veſſels did not eſcape them.

March 20. On Tueſday evening orders were iſſued for the embodying the ſeveral regiments of militia, and for completing the regular forces to 30,000 effective men.

March 21. The Earls of Chatham, Shelburne, and Camden, coming immediately into office, was the prevailing opinion on yeſterday in the firſt political circles.

Yeſterday morning his Excellency the Marquis de Noailles, the French ambaſſadour, the Marchioneſs, and their whole ſuite, ſet off for Dover, in order to embark for France.

Lord Viſcount Stormont, our late ambaſſadour at the Court of Verſailles, arrived in town laſt night.

NEW YORK, April 30.

FYLER DIBBLE, with 16 wood cutters, were taken off Lloyd's neck, on the 26th ult. by a galley carrying a twelve pounder, four whale boats, and about 50 or 60 men. The alarm reaching the men of war on that ſtation, the ſhips boats purſued the Rebels, but to no purpoſe, although they perſevered ſo long as to talk to each other, and did not retire until they had received two heavy fires from their twelve pounder graped, and all their muſketry.

YORK TOWN, May 16.

TWO Connecticut privateers lately took and ſent into Boſton [illegible] a ſhip bound from London to New York. Her cargo conſiſts of 600 barrels of flour, 60 cheſts of tea, 60 puncheons of rum, and 200 bales of goods. The ſterling invoice is ſaid to amount to 30,000l.

Thirty ſail of veſſels, richly laden with European and Eaſt India goods, are on their paſſage from France to ſome part of the United American States, under convoy of four ſhips of the line and four frigates.

From Humphreys's *Philadelphia paper of* May 9.

Yeſterday his Excellency Sir Henry Clinton, K. B. arrived here from New York.

Since our laſt a fleet of tranſports from New York, with forage, and another from Corke, with troops and proviſions, have arrived in this port.

A ſhip belonging to Meſſ. Moore and Neal of New York, who left that port with the fleet, got aground on Cape Henlopen and became a prey to the rebels.

BALTIMORE, May 19.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman at camp, Valley Forge, *to his friend here, May* 16, 1778.

LAST week the enemy beat up General Lacy's quarters in Bucks county, killed twenty five, and wounded about thirty. The General and his men made a brave and obſtinate reſiſtance; but being overpowered by numbers, were obliged to give way. Ten waggons, loaded with the dead and wounded of the enemy, were ſeen going into Philadelphia.

The Waſhington and Effingham frigates, and ſome other continental veſſels, with forty or fifty merchantmen and ſhallops, and ſeveral houſes, were lately deſtroyed at Bordentown, in New Jerſey, by a body of the enemy from Philadelphia, who went up the Delaware, in thirty ſail of veſſels, to perform that exploit.

WILLIAMSBURG, May 29.

BY yeſterday's poſt we have received advice that fifty ſix northern Indians had joined our army, who, it was ſuppoſed, would not long remain inactive; that ſeven hundred continental troops from the ſtate of New York had arrived in Pennſylvania, on their way to camp; that General Gates has the command of the troops on Hudſons river; and that a perſon arrived in camp from Philadelphia *reports*, that ſuch preparations were making by the enemy as induced the citizens to believe the evacuation of it was in contemplation; and that the men, eſpecially the young men, in that city, are impreſſed to ſerve on board the men of war

Extract of a letter from Cape Francois *to a gentleman in this city, dated* April 11, 1778.

"I have the pleaſ[illegible] acquaint you, that we have received certain advice, [illegible]ult arrived from the Miſſiſippi, that a party of m[illegible] came down that river, had ſeized one or two [illegible] that quarter, and had taken and ſold about 9[illegible] the plantations, and captured ſeveral ſhips (o[illegible]ans) richly loaded with caſh, furs, and indigo, am[illegible] the whole to about four hundred thouſand pounds ſterl[illegible]. The ſame account mentions, that the poſt at the Nat[illegible] was taken and retaken three ſeveral times, but ultimately remained in our poſſeſſion."

Letters from St. Euſtatia, dated the 20th ult. adviſe, that the people in St. Kitt's have been much alarmed of late by an inſurrection among the negroes, and that many ladies of that iſland had taken ſhelter on board the ſhipping.

On Sunday laſt arrived here, on his way to the Northward, Don JUAN DE MIRALLEZ, an eminent merchant in the Havannah, who is making the tour of the United States.

Captain Herbert, who was taken by the Greyhound, ſoon after he left our capes, and diſcharged a few days afterwards, arrived in this city laſt week. He informs us, that a French ſhip mounting 24 guns, and richly laden, was captured by the Greyhound a day or two before his diſcharge, the men on board her refuſing to fight.

A French 5[illegible]gun ſhip, and two merchant veſſels, laden with arms and dry goods, are late arrived in James river, from Rochfort.

A correſpondent obſerves, that it may be well to remind our readers of the total eclipſe of the ſun which will happen on Wedneſday the 24th of next month (Wednesday three weeks) when the darkneſs will be ſo great for near four minutes that the ſtars may be ſeen in the heavens, which will appear as they do at midnight. This is neceſſary, that aſtronomers may be prepared to obſerve ſo great an eclipſe, and that the ignorant may not be alarmed, and ſuppoſe it ſome dreadful omen, inſtead of what it really is, viz. nothing more than the natural effect of the moon's paſſing exactly between the ſun and us, and hiding its light from us, which muſt happen in certain periods at different parts of the earth

Deaths] Miſs PATIENCE JACKSON of Cheſterfield county in the bloom of life, much lamented.

Col. ANTHONY HOLLADAY, of Nanſemond county aged 70 years.

Character of Lord ABINGDON, *extracted from a note in page the laſt, volume 1ſt, of Mr.* Wilkes's *ſpeeches in the Houſe of Commons, lately publiſhed.*

THIS noble Lord has been one of the moſt ſteady and intrepid aſſerters of liberty in this age. England has eſſential obligations to the family of the Earl of Abingdon. When the Prin[illegible]ge was at Exeter, in great difficulties, ſoon after [illegible] both the clergy and magiſtrates of Exeter [illegible]ery backward, when the Biſhop [illegible]rgy ſtood off," as Biſhop [illegible]n and join'd [illegible]
[illegible]h glows [illegible] the breaſt
[illegible] unexampled ſpirit [illegible]

activity. The citizens of Geneva, as well as the people of England, dwell with pleasure on the praise of a Peer who has made the most generous efforts for them in the cause of publick liberty, and often sacrificed the pleasures and enjoyments of social life to their interests No gentleman was ever more formed to please and captivate in private life than the present Lord Abingdon, or has been more deservedly, more generally esteemed and beloved He possesses true honour in the highest degree, has generous sentiments of friendship, and to superiour manly sense joins the most easy wit, with a gaiety of temper, which diffuses universal cheerfulness. It is impossible not to be charmed with the happy *profusion of nature* in his favour, but every consideration yields with him to a warm attachment to the laws and constitution of England.

TO be let on *Monday* the 8th of *June* next, to the lowest undertakers, the re-building of *Hog Island* bridge, a plan of which will be shewn, and the terms agreed on, at the time and place above mentioned.

ALLEN COCKE.
WILLIAM NELSON.

SURRY county, *May* 25, 1778.

For SALE,

JESUITS BARK, rhubarb, ipecacuanha, manna, spirit of nitre, liquid laudanum, paragorick, salt of wormwood, saltpetre, black pepper, tea, sail twine, pump nails, handsaw, crosscut, and whipsaw files, plane irons, sail needles, lamp-black, white lead, yellow ochre, *Spanish* brown, white linen, oakum, osnabrug bags, salt, and a few hogsheads of *French* rum.

WILLIAM GOOSLEY, & Co.

YORK, *May* 18, 1778.

RICHMOND, *May* 17, 1778.

TO be sold for ready money, in the town of *Richmond*, on *Tuesday* the 2d of *June* next, a [illegible] lying near Gwyn's island, burthen from eighty to [illegible] tons. I request *William Dixon*, the builder, to attend the sale.

STORRS, [illegible]
Jo[illegible] [illegible] *Walker*, & Co.

FOR sale at the following places in *Pennsylvania*, viz. *Alexandria*, *Colchester*, and *Dumfries*, and at *Falmouth*, on *Rappahannock* river, a large quantity of [illegible] belonging to this state. For terms apply to Major *Day*, at Mr. *Charles Yates's* in *Fredericksburg*, who has the disposal of the flour.

THOMAS SMITH, A. S.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 20, 1778.

ALL persons who have any demands against the estates of *John* and *Draughton Wills*, deceased, are desired to make them known to the subscriber immediately, and receive payment. Debts due to the said estates are requested to be discharged as soon as possible. 2‖ MILES WILLS, Adm.

FREDERICKSBURG, *May* 19, 1778.

I INTEND to sail for *France* in a few weeks, and purpose returning in twelve months. Those indebted to me will please to call and settle their accounts before my departure.

GEORGE FRENCH.

SOME years ago I purchased of the factors of *John Lyderdale* a tract of land on *Ward's* fork, in *Charlotte* county, for which I gave my bond for 120l. since which I can by no means obtain a title, or find who has got my bond, that I may take it up. This is to notify, whoever has my said bond, that I am ready to pay it off and receive a title; and I shall think it unjust to pay interest thereon, at least after this publication.

MUNFORD DEGERNETT.

AGREEABLE to the directions of an act of the General Assembly of this commonwealth, the court of *Charles City* county will be opened for the trial of suits on the first *Wednesday* in *June* next. All persons concerned are desired to take notice, and give their attendance accordingly.

MAY 15, 1778.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of *James Montgomery* of *Amherst* county, deceased, are desired to settle and pay off their respective balances immediately, and those who have any demands against the same are requested to apply for payment.

2‖ ROBERT WRIGHT, Adm.

FREDERICKSBURG, *May* 15, 1778.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the publick, that he has undertaken the management of the COFFEE HOUSE at this place (as the late manager, Mr. *Mer[illegible]* is deceased) where he shall be happy in entertaining gentlemen who choose to put up at the [illegible] on his utmost endeavours to render [illegible]eable manner [illegible]owe[illegible]

WHEREAS I am [illegible] *Free and Accepted* [illegible] a general convention [illegible] Grand Master for the [illegible] 15th day of *June* next [illegible] *burg*, for that purpose [illegible] the regular [illegible] attendance [illegible] are not [illegible] embrace [illegible] Grand [illegible] under [illegible] Masonry [illegible]

(2) JAMES MERCER.

WHEREAS on the 18th of *November* 1777 I purchased from *Mr. Charles Hammond* the plantation wherein he now lives, in *Richmond* county, containing 200 acres more or less, being the land given to him by his father, and what he purchased of *Charles Jones*; and whereas the said *Hammond* has since refused to make me deeds agreeable to contract, and likewise attempted to make sale of the land again, I think it necessary to acquaint those whom it may concern, that I have paid part of the consideration money, and have his receipt for the same, and that I am determined to cause him to comply with his bargain. 1‖ SAMUEL WOLLFORD.

TO be SOLD for ready money, at *Warwick* court-house, on *Thursday* the 11th of *June*, being court day, six negroes, viz. A fellow, a woman, and four children.

JOHN DUNN.
SAMUEL DUNN.

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THE partners of the company under the firm of *Thomas Tuille*, *John Hylton*, & Co. are requested to meet at *Blandford* on *Wednesday* the 10th of *June* next, in order to bring the affairs of that copartnery to a final period, as an *ex parte* order of *York* court will be procured for that purpose. They are also to furnish copies of the accounts kept by themselves in their private books, to be compared with the company books. Proper vouchers will be required for every article of charge which does not not now appear at their credit in the company books. 1p PETER JOHNSTON.

Twenty DOLLARS *Reward.*

RUN away from *Bajieu Laporte*, Esq; of *Edenton*, *North Carolina*, a *French* negro man named *Colas*, of a lightish colour, about forty years of age, five feet nine or ten inches high, slender made, and speaks *English* tolerably well. Part of his dress consisted of a blue sailor's jacket, and long cloth breeches of the same colour. The above reward will be paid on his being taken up and delivered to said Mr. *Laporte*, or to Mr. *John Meals* of *Fredericksburg*.

GALVAN DESERNOUX.

RUN away from the *Diligence* galley, *Richard Tolley*, a *Scotchman*, about five feet high, much pock marked, and has very light hair. Had on when he went away, a white cloth jacket, and a white fulled cap. He pretends to be a seaman, and is very talkative. Whoever apprehends the said deserter, and secures him so that he may be again taken into the naval service of this state, shall have ten dollars reward.

2p JOHANNES WATSON.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Fredericksburg*, the 18th of *April* 1778, a negro fellow named *Sam*, five feet ten inches high, twenty four years of age, when intoxicated has an impediment in his speech, speaks thick, and has a cut in his head, which is easily observed if looked into. I will give ten pounds, together with reasonable expenses, if required, to the person who delivers him to me in said town, or five pounds if secured in any jail, so as I may get him again. I have great reason to suspect he went off with a certain *Houston*, who says he is on his parole, as a prisoner from the *Phoenix* frigate of war, and has been heard to say that he purchased the said fellow. They have been since seen together, and I am informed *Houston* has a wife in or near *Urbanna*. *Houston* was dressed in blue, is slender made, very apt to get drunk, and then to ridicule the country in general. Whoever complies with the above requests shall be paid by their humble servant,

p JOHN HASALGROVE.

BRUMO, *Henrico*, *April* 10, 1778.

CAME [illegible] *February* last, a bay mare 4 feet 7 inches high, [illegible] hanging mane and a switch tail, a star in her forehead, snip on her nose, glass eyes, left hind foot white, trots, gallops, and is about eight years old. The owner is desired to take her away, and pay charges.

BOWLER COCKE.

VERY few of my clie[nts] ed for their papers during my late attenda[nce] [Fred]ericksburg, I have left th[em] [Ro]bb, Esq; Attorney General, who will be so obliging [as] them when cal- led for. I have received letters req[uir]make choice of counsel for my clients, but from ti[me] cuted, for several reasons, and desire they will cho[ose] ves, and that in time to prevent injury from the wa[nt] to the progress of the suits. Any fees I have recei[ved] what my services hitherto will justly entitle me, [I] aid on demand; and I must entreat those indebted for [the] suits long since ended, to pay them without delay.

(2) EDMUND PENDLETON.

THE executors of Captain *William Gregory*, deceased, of *Charles City*, give this notice to all persons who were purchasers at the sale of his estate, that they must make immediate payment, or their bonds will be put into the hands of an attorney; and those who have any demands against the estate are desired to make them known to the subscribers.

FRANCIS IRBY, }
JOHN GREGORY. } Exec.

ALL persons who have demands against the estate of Major *Samuel Harwood*, deceased, are desired to make them known to me in this city, and receive payment. I shall think this notice equal to a tender to all such as have bonds upon interest, which are out of the power of an executor to be acquainted with, unless the creditors will give information of them. Those who cannot make it convenient to apply during my attendance on the Assembly will receive payments in *Charles City* county, at my house. Debts due to the said estate are expected to be discharged immediately.

JOHN TYLER, Executor.

TO be sold at *Broadway*'s, six THREE POUNDERS and six SWIVELS, with some POWDER.

2p ROBERT GILLIAM.

PORT-ROYAL, *May* 12, 1778.

FOR SALE, a quantity of BAR IRON of an excellent quality, at £. 200 *per* ton; also a quantity of best common and superfine FLOUR.

p ROBERT JOHNSTON.

To be SOLD for ready Money or on Credit, or exchanged for Land and Negroes,

MY houses and lot on the main street in the city of *Williamsburg*, where I now live. As the partnership between my brother and self expires the last day of next month, it will be taken kind if those who are indebted to the company will settle their accounts by that day, also those who are indebted to the subscriber, while living in *Gloucester* county, with whom *Edmund Randolph*, Esq; is empowered to settle.

WILLIAM CARTER.

Pursuant to the last will and testament of Thomas B. Griffin, *of Lancaster county, deceased, will be sold for ready money, at the mansion-house, on* Friday *the* 5th *of* June *next,*

A GREAT variety of good and neat house and kitchen furniture, large stocks of cattle, sheep, and hogs, some valuable breeding mares, a young bay carriage horse, phaeton, single chair, a pretty good library, with many other articles; also eighteen hhds. of tobacco made on the plantation.

WILLIAM GRIFFIN, Executor.

Two Hundred DOLLARS Reward.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Northumberland*, two negro men, viz. JOE, a tall black fellow, who has a fine smooth address, a hole in one of his cheeks, and is very artful. He can read a little, is fond of singing hymns, and exhorting his brethren of the *Ethiopian* tribe. BILLY, a stout well made dark mulatto, has very black hair, and is remarkably cunning. They are both good house servants, and understand the business of a stable. The above reward will be paid on their being delivered to me, or one half for either.

p JOHN GORDON.

STRAYED or STOLEN from Col. *William Bates*'s in *Prince George* county, the 7th of *April*, a bay horse twelve years old, near fourteen hands high, branded on the near buttock BR, one of his hind feet white, hanging mane and switch tail. Whoever takes up the said horse and delivers him to Col. *Bates* in *Prince George*, or the subscriber in *Gloucester*, or gives intelligence where he may be had, shall receive five dollars reward; if stolen, on conviction of the thief, forty dollars.

p JOHN S. STUBBS.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on Thursday *the* 4th *of* June,

A TRACT of land in *Charles City* county, near *Sones*'s bridge, great part of which is rich low grounds, and the high land lies exceeding healthy, with a constant stream running through it, on which is a very good grist mill, and a great show of rich iron ore. I will sell the land at private bargain, and make the purchase as easy as possible, or I will take other land or negroes in payment; in which case I shall advertise the publick, to prevent unnecessary attendance.

DAVID MERRY.

STRAYED or stolen from *Robert Anderson*'s, the 12th of this instant (*May*) a light chesnut coloured horse, with a star in his forehead, about four feet eight inches high, a bump on his back, a short switch tail, and a natural pacer. I will give FIVE DOLLARS reward for the bringing him in.

I. S. WELLS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 20, 1778.

Twenty DOLLARS Reward.

FOR taking up and bringing home *Anne*, a negro wench about forty years of age, about five feet five inches high, and of a black complexion. She was seen about two months ago in *Richmond* town, but as I have since made strict search, and have had no intelligence of her, am apprehentive she has made down towards *Hampton*, as I purchased her of Mrs. *Valentier*, now living in *Manchester*, and who formerly resided at *Hampton*. Whoever will give me any intelligence of her, so that I get her again, shall have the above reward.

EDMUND LOGWOOD.

POWHATAN, *May* 3, 1778.

JACK the BACH[ELOR], a beautiful dark bay horse, lately imported [from] mares in *Guilford* county, *N. Carolina*, at twenty[-] bn; the money to be paid by the last of *July*, hereof, thirty dollars. He is full fifteen hands [high], nine years old this grass, sound and free from[-] and prettily marked. He was got by *Thistle Whipper*[-] dsire by old *Bajazet*, who was reckoned the best hor[se] ngland. In 1752 he was brought into *Ireland*, and run a match against *Black and all Black* (esteemed the first horse then in that kingdom) for a thousand guineas, on the *Curragh* of *Kildare*; his dam was a mare of Sir *Edward O'Brian*'s, got by *Crab*, his grandam by *Bustard*. I have fifteen or twenty acres of timothy pasturage, under good fencing, but I will not be answerable for escapes or other accidents.

5 ISHAM BROWDER.

MAY 5, 1778.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Lancaster* county, on the 30th of *April*, a small negro man named SAM, who says his master's name is *William Wren*, of *Fairfax* county, *Virginia*. He is very black, and badly clothed. The owner is desired to send for him, and pay charges.

JOB CARTER, jailer.

THERE is now in *Alexandria* jail a certain *Jonathan Jennings*, for passing counterfeit continental five and eight dollar bills. He had in his possession one six dollar bill, dated *Philadelphia*, *May* 20, 1777, signed *S. Elms. G. Welch*, twenty five bills of five dollars dated *Baltimore*, *Feb.* 26, 1777, signed *J. Barney*, *W. Aquith*, *G. Welch*, *M. Alexander*, *J. Kelso*, *R. Cromwell*, *S. S Coale*. *R. Johnson*, eighty bills of eight dollars, dated *Philadelphia*, *May* 20, 1777, signed *R. Smith*, *A. M'Callister*, *John Taylor*, *Aq. Norris*, *S. Elms*, *R Smith*, *S. Elms*, *G. Welch*, *G. Young*, *C. Lewis*. They are done from a coarse copperplate. The words "*Spanish* milled dollars" are in smaller characters than in the good bills, the paper is smoother, the emblems are much fairer and brighter than in the true bills; the back of the good bills is very dark, the back of the bad ones are very bright. The signatures of the same persons variant, and badly done. *Jennings* brought to town with him a likely bay stallion, which by a paper that he produced appears to have been purchased of a *Simon Wakes* in *Maryland*; also a negro man, purchased of *James Dunn*, in *Kent* county, *Maryland*, perhaps with bad money.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 20, 1778.

STRAYED or STOLEN from this city, on *Friday* evening the 15th instant, a likely BLACK HORSE about fourteen hands high, with hanging mane and switch tail, paces, gallops, [is] rather cat-hammed, and about seven years old[.] n. Whoever will bring the said [horse] such intelligence so that I[t] may be had, shall receive FIVE DOLLARS reward; if [stolen] id by

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